

POOLROOM REOPENS;  
KENILWORTH MECCA  
OF CAPITAL SPORTS

Lines From Racetracks Furnish Complete Service at Old Clubhouse.

CAPITAL BOOKMAKER  
SAID TO BE BACKER

Laying of Bets Proceeds, With Little Evidence That Interference Is Feared.

## Late Racing Gossip and Tips.

SATURDAY, July 16.—Washington police in raids arrested eight men for making hand books on the foreign race tracks.

WEDNESDAY, July 20.—Telephone wires running to Kenilworth are tested for business.

MONDAY, July 25.—Pool room reported backed by well-known Washington gambler, opens its doors for business at Kenilworth and seventy race track followers attend the "opening."

TUESDAY, July 26.—Several faces familiar in Washington gambling circles are seen on cars running to Kenilworth.

WEDNESDAY, July 27.—What will the Prince George county authorities do?

Kenilworth is again the location of a poolroom whereat those who desire to bet upon the horse races at distant tracks may lay their wagers and watch the bulletins as they come direct from the ringside.

The old Kenilworth club house is the spot toward which certain Washington sportsmen turned this afternoon.

Fully equipped and without interference from the Prince George county authorities, the pool room, which is said to be backed by a well-known Washington bookmaker, opened yesterday afternoon.

About seventy persons were out to receive the race bulletins and no secrecy was employed in taking and placing the bets. Those in charge of the clubhouse evidently were in no immediate fear of the place being closed, as was the case when it was last attempted to operate a clubhouse at Kenilworth.

## Go Just Beyond Line.

Operations were resumed this afternoon, and it is a matter of current gossip where the followers of the ponies gather that one has but to go just a little beyond the District line to find the bookmakers.

It is rumored that plans for opening the poolroom at Kenilworth were formulated as early as last November, at which time telephones were arranged for.

For some reason, however, the actual opening of the club was delayed until yesterday. The blackboard and other paraphernalia were found to be in good working order, and a long-distance wire service from New York is said to have furnished a thoroughly acceptable service yesterday afternoon.

The scene much resembled that of the old days at the Kenilworth Club, before the Prince George county authorities decided to put an end to the long distance betting.

The Maryland laws permit the making of books for a certain number of days at the race track itself, but are against pool selling and book making of the character now being conducted at the new Kenilworth resort.

## WEATHER REPORT.

Warm weather continues in practically all districts east of the Rocky mountains, except in the northern border States where temperature readings are near the normal.

The indications are that there will be local thunder showers tonight or Wednesday in the Atlantic States south of Pennsylvania.

FORECAST FOR THE DISTRICT.  
Partly cloudy, with probably local thunder showers tonight or Wednesday, not much change in temperature; moderate southwesterly winds.

TEMPERATURE.  
8 a. m. 81  
9 a. m. 82  
10 a. m. 83  
11 a. m. 84  
12 noon 85  
1 p. m. 86  
2 p. m. 87

SUN TABLE.  
Sun rises 4:53  
Sun sets 7:19

TIDE TABLE.  
Today—High tide, 10:59 a. m. and 11:25 p. m.; low tide, 5 a. m. and 5:22 p. m.  
Tomorrow—High tide, 11:47 a. m.; low tide, 5:52 a. m. and 6:16 p. m.

CONDITION OF THE WATER.  
HARPER FERRY, Va., July 26.  
Potomac slightly cloudy and Shenandoah very muddy this morning.

Doors 1/4-Inch Thick, \$1.50 Apiece.  
Frank Libbey & Co., 6th & N. Y. Ave.  
—Adv.

HARMON MAY FLY  
FROM THE CAPITAL

Amateur Aviator Plans Spectacular Flight to New York.

OTHERS MAY AID;  
DATE TO BE FIXED

Prospects for Race From New York to Washington Brighter.

Clifford B. Harmon, of New York, the noted amateur aviator, is anxious to fly from Washington to New York, and arrangements are now underway to settle upon a date for the event.

Dr. A. F. Zahm, secretary of the Washington Aero Club, and the joint committee of aero enthusiasts and trade organizations, said today that Harmon is desirous of making a notable cross-country flight, and that he prefers to start from the White House grounds and land at the Battery, in New York.

Mr. Harmon also has assured Dr. Zahm and others that he expects to have several other amateur aviators join him in the long flight, thereby making it that much more interesting and historical.

## Little Money Needed.

One of the attractions of a flight of this nature, as pointed out by Dr. Zahm, is the fact that the city will not be required to raise any great amount of money. Harmon flies as an amateur, and it will only be necessary for Washington to contribute toward the purchase of a handsome trophy.

Harmon's intention is to make landings in Baltimore and Philadelphia while en route to New York, and as these cities also will be called upon to subscribe to the trophy the amount required of each city is expected to be small.

Dr. Zahm says the Aero Club and its joint committee on aviation are anxious for a flight from New York, with Washington as the terminus, and they have several indefinite plans under way with this in view. They will continue to solicit such a flight, even though Harmon and some of his amateur friends make their flight.

## Race Prospects Growing.

That the chances for the cross-country race from New York to the White House, some time in October, are growing brighter, and that it is likely something definite will soon materialize, is the opinion of Dr. Zahm. He has promises from Curtis and Hamilton and several other "air kings," to take part in such a flight, and he contends that the only real difficulty is settling upon a date satisfactory to all, and to raise the necessary prize money. The purse must be \$25,000. New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore, and Washington are each expected to raise \$5,000 apiece.

Both of these matters will be taken up by the joint committee when it meets next week.

Washington is being boomed in New York for a big aviation meet, by Dr. J. Wesley Bovee, a member of the Washington Aero Club, who is attending flights at Hempstead Plain, N. Y. He is anxious for a sensational race across country from New York to Washington, with stops in Philadelphia and Baltimore, and he is making efforts to bring about such a flight.

Word has been received from New York that Dr. Bovee has received assurances that Joseph Seymour and Charles Willard will compete in such a contest.

HEAT CONTINUES;  
NO RELIEF SIGHTED

Weather Bureau Foresees Thunder Showers, But No Lower Mercury.

Temperatures Recorded Today in Capital.

Weather Bureau.	Kiosk
6 a. m.	76
7 a. m.	80
8 a. m.	81
9 a. m.	82
10 a. m.	83
11 a. m.	84
12 noon	85
1 p. m.	86
2 p. m.	87

Notwithstanding the intense heat and high percentage of humidity which, following in the wake of similar conditions yesterday, offered no relief to the citizens of Washington, but two heat prostrations were reported to the police today.

District Commissioner Johnston became ill as the result of the heat, and suffered a recurrence of an old attack. Jacob Brodie, two years old, of 499 New Jersey avenue northwest, was also a victim. The little chap was playing too enthusiastically, and finally dropped to the ground unconscious. His condition is not regarded as serious.

Thunder showers are predicted for tonight or Wednesday, but are expected to be of that variety which cooleth not the atmosphere.

The forecast of the Weather Bureau for the District and vicinity issued this morning was as follows:

"Partly cloudy weather and probably thunder showers tonight or Wednesday. Not much change in the temperature. Those closing words, 'not much change in the temperature,' tell the tale, for the Weather Bureau expects the mercury to remain practically stationary."

At 11 o'clock this morning the thermometer registered 86 degrees at the Kiosk, in Pennsylvania avenue, in front of the Munsey Building. At the Weather Bureau, where the thermometer is high in the air, where it could catch the stiff breeze which blew from the West, the mercury said only 84.

POWDER SHIP AFIRE  
MENACES WAR CRAFT  
AT BROOKLYN YARD

Culgoa, Carrying Ammunition, Bursts Into Flames and Is Cut Adrift.

CARRIED BY TIDE  
INTO EAST RIVER

Seaman Burned, May Die—Receiving Ship Has Close Call.

NEW YORK, July 26.—The entire shipping at the Brooklyn navy yard was threatened with destruction today when a big Navy Department lighter containing 200 rounds of 8-inch ammunition from the New Jersey caught fire at the Cob dock.

The supply ship Culgoa was set adrift to save her, and the receiving ship Hancock narrowly escaped. The lighter was finally burned to the water's edge in midstream in the East river.

One seaman was badly burned and may die.

The heat of the past two days had affected the powder and some of it, in one of the eight-inch shells—none of them contained projectiles—suddenly flared with a terrific burst of flames just after it had been transferred from the Culgoa to the lighter.

## Sets Fire To Powder.

The flame from the first shell immediately set fire to the powder on the others.

There were fifteen men aboard the lighter at the time engaged in placing ammunition as it was carried from the supply ship Culgoa.

The burning powder gave them no chance to escape to the Culgoa and they all jumped overboard to save their lives. One of the men, Everett McDonald, was badly burned before he jumped and after he was picked up he was taken to the Naval Hospital in the navy yard. He is in a serious condition.

## Excitement Spreads.

The greatest excitement quickly spread throughout the navy yard. The private fire department sent all its apparatus to the Cob dock, but by the time it reached there the Culgoa was in such imminent danger that the men aboard her cut the cables holding the lighter fast and both went adrift in the Cob dock channel. The tide carried the burning vessel toward the receiving ship Hancock.

The Hancock was filled with seamen and petty officers detached from duty. They scurried about the decks, and all hands made ready to shunt the burning lighter out into the stream if she approached too close. But the tide carried the burning vessel directly into the East river. Several ships were passing at the time, and they put about to prevent the lighter from endangering other shipping.

Several naval tugs put out into the stream, and streams of water were thrown on the lighter. The lighter was allowed to burn to the water's edge, and then was towed back into the navy yard. The lighter is a total loss. The Culgoa's side was scorched, but she was otherwise undamaged.

A launch of the Culgoa picked up the men who had jumped overboard from the lighter and none of them were injured except McDonald.

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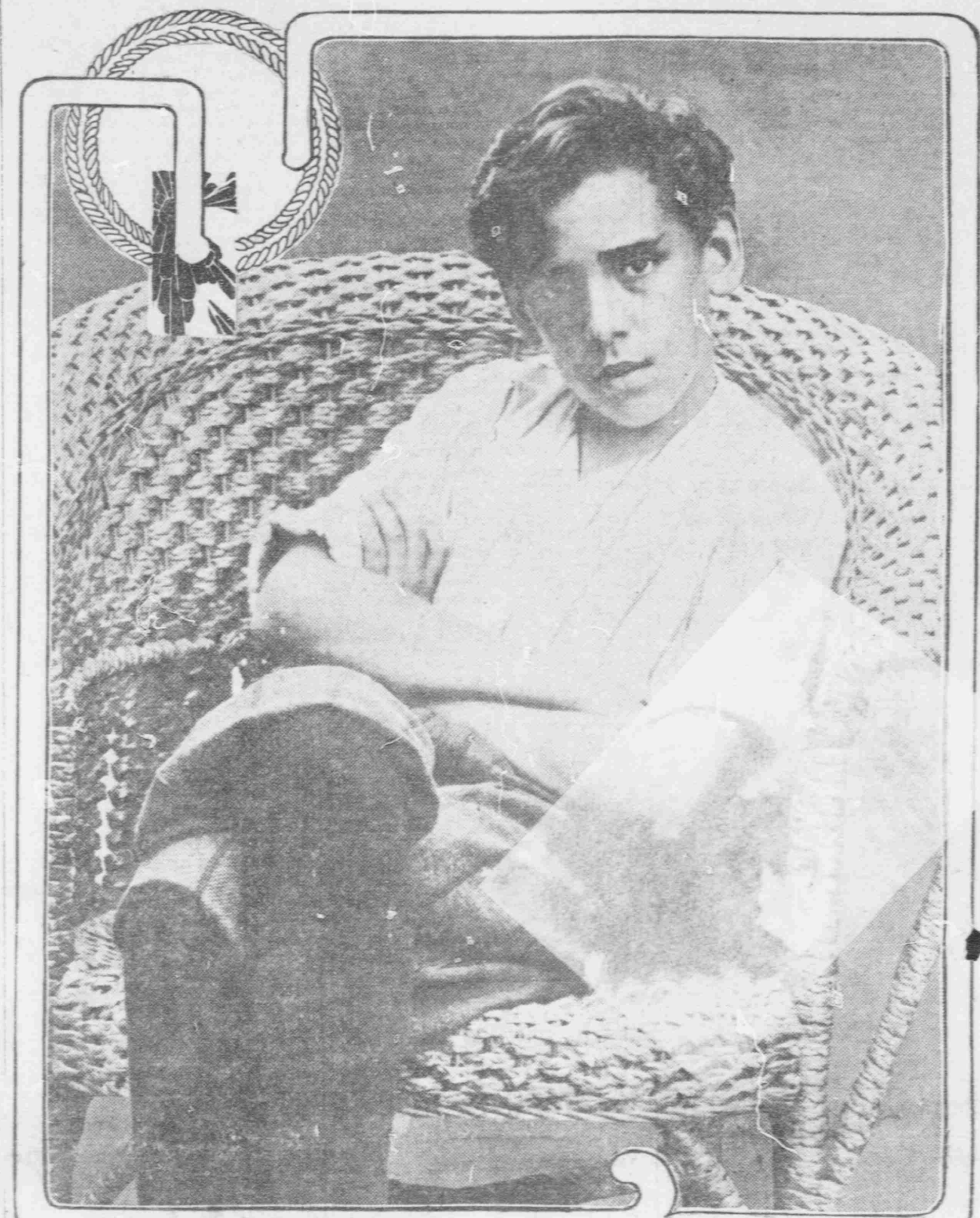
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DYRENFORTH WILL ATTACKED  
IN TEST SUIT FILED BY WIDOW

ROBERT ST. GEORGE DYRENFORTH,  
Adopted Son of David "Rainmaker" and Beneficiary of Eccentric Will.

SEEK THE ASSASSIN  
OF FORMER MAYOR

Poses Search Negro Quarters and Lynching Is Expected.

RIDGWAY, Va., July 26.—Aided by bloodhounds, detectives brought from Roanoke today began a systematic search through the negro quarters for the person or persons who threw the bomb which killed former Mayor A. H. Houseman.

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TITLE TO PROPERTY  
IN CAPITAL SOUGHT

Carrying Out Terms of Eccentric Will Depends Upon the Outcome.

Latest Developments in Dyrenforth Case.

Grandmother of Robert St. George Dyrenforth attacks eccentric will of patent attorney.

Action taken today in District Courts against brother and sister of testator, to whom land was transferred for "family reasons."

Asks Court to Cease property a trust, held by J. Wilson Dyrenforth and Grace Dyrenforth of Lombard, Ill.

An outcome of suit rests possibility of eight-year-old heir carrying out difficult and unusual terms of will.

Property in litigation lies along Piney Branch and is valued at \$300,000.

Track said to be the sole asset of the late patent attorney.

Initial action directed toward a settlement of the estate of Col. Robert G. Dyrenforth, who died July 4, leaving what is regarded as an eccentric will, devising the bulk of his belongings to his adopted son, Robert St. George Dyrenforth, who before the adoption was his grandson, was taken today by his widow, Mrs. Jennie Dyrenforth, in a suit in equity against J. Wilson Dyrenforth and his wife, Grace Dyrenforth, of Lombard, Ill.

The defendants are brother-in-law and sister-in-law, respectively, of Mrs. Dyrenforth.

Mrs. Dyrenforth in her petition asks the court to compel the defendants to reconvey to her the title to property in Mt. Pleasant, which, she alleges, was conveyed to them for "family reasons" in 1897. No consideration was involved in the transfer of the property, she alleges, and, therefore, she asks the court to decree that the defendants are holding the property in trust for her.

The claim is based on the equity principle of the county.

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DARK HORSE IN RACE  
FOR OHIO GOVERNOR;  
HARDING NOW LEADS

Longworth Looms Up as Formidable Candidate If Deadlock Comes.

FIGHT ON PLATFORM  
IS THE MAIN ISSUE

Taft Influence Thrown Against Garfield—Only Stampede Can Save Him.

## Striking Points About Ohio Situation.

Convention convenes at 4 o'clock p. m.

As temporary chairman, Nicholas Longworth will make address.

James R. Garfield, former Secretary of the Interior, is the "big" man and every effort is being made by the "regular" leaders to prevent him from sweeping the convention both with his platform and his nomination for governor.

A stampede in Garfield's favor is probable unless opposing factions can unite on a satisfactory candidate.

An element of Rooseveltism is noticeable to many of the old-timers.

Struggle before resolutions committee is due tonight.

The old leaders insist on endorsing Taft with no reservations and the tariff law.

COLUMBUS, Ohio, July 26.—Late today, the indications were that the nominee for governor would be either Warren G. Harding or a dark horse, and Representative Longworth is looming up as the most probable dark horse.

The Taft influence is being thrown against Garfield, and only a stampede would name him.

If there is a deadlock in the voting, Longworth is most likely to be named. It is learned that the Taft lieutenants think Longworth is the most likely solution, though they will be satisfied with Harding who will, doubtless, lead on first ballot.

Longworth has prepared a strong speech as temporary chairman. While regular, it will be conciliatory, and will give the insurgents much credit for what they have done. It will commend Victor Murdock by name. If the effect of this speech is what is expected to be, it will pave the way for a rush of votes to Longworth after a few ballots.

The argument that Roosevelt will help Longworth in the campaign is being strongly used.

Garfield gave out his tariff plank this afternoon. It speaks strongly for a commission to remedy the defects of existing law, as by indirection it is an attack on the tariff measure.

It is about Garfield that the fight wages and the interest centers. He arrived last evening from his home at Mentor, and from the moment of his arrival things have been red-hot.

The convention will not meet until 4 o'clock this afternoon, when Representative Nicholas Longworth will address the gathering as temporary chairman in a speech marked by its adherence to regularity.

But all last night and this morning things have been seething. The friends of various candidates are astir, trying to fix up combinations in their interest. The leaders are deeply anxious over the nomination of governor and the platform, and last night and this morning were marked by numerous conferences.

Change Sensational.

The part Garfield is taking is so much greater than it was expected a week ago he would take as to be not less than sensational. The energies of the bosses are bent to prevent him from sweeping the convention both with his platform and for the nomination for governor.

The delegates are restless and unsettled. They are puzzled which way to turn. Unless the opposition to Garfield can unite on some one man between now and when the voting starts, there is a possibility that Garfield will stampede the convention.

It need not be pointed out that the spectacle of Garfield, a declared insurgent, unfriendly to Taft, in spite of any soft breathings of politicians or any veil that may be cast over the real facts, sweeping a convention of Ohio Republicans off its feet, is enough to make the old leaders of Buckeye State politics sit down and gnash their teeth.

They are working hard to prevent it and probably will be able to do so, but the mere possibility of such an occurrence disturbs them, and is of national moment as showing the depths of the progressive current in President Taft's own State.

## SHADOW OF ROOSEVELT.

The feeling that back of Garfield stands Roosevelt in an attitude of friendliness, if not something more, will not be dispelled. Opponents of Garfield

THREE LOSE LIVES  
WHEN CASTLE BURNS

Historic Menlough, Home of the Blakes, in Galway, Prey of Flames.

DUBLIN, July 26.—Menlough Castle, the historic pile in County Galway, owned by Sir Valentine Blake, was destroyed by fire today.

Sir Valentine's daughter was killed and two servants perished when they jumped from the castle towers.

Lady Blake narrowly escaped, and her condition is serious.

Sir Valentine, who is seventy-four years old, suffered severely from shock.

Dr. McCaughan, who was pastor of the Third Presbyterian Church, Chicago, for nine years, escaped the flames by leaping from a high window as did his wife. The injuries of both were pronounced serious, each having sustained a fractured skull.

Dr. McCaughan left Chicago in May, 1901. Since then he has been pastor of the May Street Congregational Church, of Belfast.

The three persons killed were employees.

HUNDREDS KILLED  
AS EARTH HEAVES

Volcanic Eruptions and Earthquakes Occur in Japanese Islands.

TOKIO, July 26.—It is feared that hundreds, and possibly thousands have been killed by volcanic eruptions and terrific earthquakes in the southern part of the island of Hokkaido.

Advices received here today, telling of the disaster, say that many villages are believed to have been wiped out.

## LEAPS INTO NIAGARA.

NIAGARA FALLS, N. Y., July 26.—Madame Clerber, a young dressmaker, formerly of Wilkesbarre, Pa., killed herself by jumping into the Niagara river from the Second Sister island bridge. She had tried previously to kill herself by inhaling gas.